

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

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For

A SCANNING OPTICAL SYSTEM

## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 10, 2003, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 10, 2003, and which has been extended to expire on March 10, 2004 by the herein enclosed Request for Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein contained remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this Response.